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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE **BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed June 26, 2002 finally rejecting claims 27-36 and 43-52.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. STATUS OF APPLICATION

This application is on behalf of

other than a small entity

small entity

2. FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

small entity

\$160.00

other than a small entity

\$320.00

Notice of Appeal fee due

\$320.00

3. **EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 % (fees: 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked (a) X below:

Extension	Fee for other than	Fee for
(months)	small entity	small entity
one month	\$110	\$55
two months	\$400	200
three months	\$920	460
four months	\$1,440	720
five months	\$1,960	980

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If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. (check and complete the next item, if applicable) months has already been secured and the fee paid An extension for therefor of \$ ___ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$920.00 or Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this (b) conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time. 4. **TOTAL FEE DUE** The total fee due is: Notice of Appeal fee \$320.00 Extension fee (if any) \$920.00 TOTAL FEE DUE \$1,240.00 5. **FEE PAYMENT** Attached is a check in the sum of \$ П \boxtimes Charge Account No. 50-1901 the sum of \$1,240.00 A duplicate of this transmittal is attached. 6. **FEE DEFICIENCY** \boxtimes If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 50- \boxtimes If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 50-1901. Respectfully submitted. December 23, 2002 Cullman Reg. No. 39,645 **OPPENHEIMER WOLFF & DONNELLY LLP** 840 Newport Center Drive, Suite 700

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